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1. WE SUGGEST DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO ASK AMBASSADOR DAVIES TO TAKE OCCASION DELIVERY TO FOREIGN MINISTRY OF OUR NOTE TO PARIS PARTICIPANTS (REF B) TO ANSWER ZYCIE WARSZAWY EDITORIAL (REF A). IN DOING SO, WE BELIEVE AMBASSADOR SHOULD HIT PARTICULARLY HARD PHONY ARGUMENT THAT FACT SIGNING PARIS AGREEMENT MAKES "PRG" A GOVERNMENT (SEE SAIGON 01450, PARA 9 OF DEPARTMENT'S A-1238, AND SAIGON 2416, ALSO BEING REPEATED).

2. BOTH POLES AND HUNGARIANS ON ICCS HAVE BEEN TALKING UP NOTION THAT FOR GVN TO RECOGNIZE "PRG" WOULD BE IMPORTANT STEP TOWARD PEACE IN SVN. IN DOING SO THEY NOT INGENUOUSLY OVERLOOK FACT THAT THE "PRG" HAS NO INDEPENDENT EXISTENCE BUT IS ONLY THE DRV'S AGENT. (GVN IS ALREADY SEEKING TO NORMALIZE RELATIONS WITH DRV BUT DRV WILL NOT RECIPROcate.)

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3. IN OUR VIEW NOTION THAT GVN AND OTHERS SHOULD RECOGNIZE

"PRG" IN INTEREST OF PEACE IS SCHEME CAREFULLY CALCULATED BY
HANOI TO LEGALIZE PRESENCE OF NVA IN SVN WHILE AT THE SAME
TIME UNDER-MINING STATUS OF GVN AS ONLY LEGITIMATE GOVERNMENT
OF SVN AS STEP TOWARD CONQUEST OF SVN BY POLITICAL MEANS.
WHILE OTHER COUNTRIES MAY BE INNOCENTLY BEGUILED BY THOUGHT
THAT RECOGNITION OF "PRG" WOULD ADVANCE THE CAUSE OF PEACE
WE CANNOT BELIEVE THAT POLES AND HUNGARIANS WITH THEIR CLOSE
CONTACTS IN HANOI ARE NOT FULLY AWARE OF THE TRUE SIGNIF-
ICANCE OF WHAT THEY ADVOCATE.

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